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1. In 1952, the Soviet Engineer Raktcheyev (fnu) became inspector of Hungarian smelteries working for the USSR. On the basis of his observations, the Hungarian Ministry of Metallurgy and Machine Industry decreed the following:
 - a. A chart must be kept beside each furnace showing in what order the furnace is charged with ore and in what order steel and slag are tapped. A regularly kept chart will immediately reveal where irregularities in the production process have occurred and who is to be punished for possible lags in production.
 - b. The Diösgyör furnace was to be completed in 21 instead of the planned 60 days, and a smaller furnace at Ozd was to be rebuilt in 11 days instead of the proposed 45 days.
 - c. It was also learned that the Soviet engineer criticized the dirtiness of the furnace ports and disapproved of the fact that repairs were not made at the start of the tapping, to save time between charges. To accelerate charging he demanded heavier charge ladles, while disregarding that the added weight would tax the strength of the workers.
2. Raktcheyev and his predecessor Bardin, as well as other Soviet experts are unable to make any recommendations which would really result in the improvement of the iron and steel production; they merely attempt to increase production by reorganizing the production processes.
3. The chief engineers of the Soviet Hammer and Sickle Factory Korobka (fnu) and Paskov (fnu) have been in Hungary for some time trying to raise the output of the rolling mills by the introduction of Soviet work techniques.

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